

Report of the Ordinary Meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee held in the Council Chambers, 29 Civic Avenue, Gore on Tuesday 29 April 2014, at 6.45pm.

PRESENT Cr Bolger, (Chairperson), Crs Beale, Byars, Dixon, P Grant, Highsted, Page and Sharp.

IN ATTENDANCE The Chief Executive (Mr Stephen Parry), General Manager, District Assets (Mr Paul Withers), Parks and Recreation Manager (Mr Ian Soper), Roading Manager (Mr Murray Hasler), 3 Waters Asset Manager (Mrs Sarah Crooks), Planning Consultant (Mr Keith Hovell), Chief Financial Officer (Mr Luke Blackbeard), Communications Coordinator (Sonia Gerken), and Corporate Support Officers (Mrs Tracey Millan and Mrs Kylie Weir) and one member of the public in the gallery.

APOLOGIES His Worship the Mayor (Mr Tracy Hicks JP), Cr Davis, D Grant and Gover apologised for absence.

1. FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2014 (SC0154)

A financial report for the eight months ending 28 February 2014 had been received from the Chief Financial Officer and was perused by the Committee.

The Officer said he expected the buffer available would be utilised in the coming months, as a busy time for spending approached.

The Chief Executive said the positive variances shown would tighten up due to the capital works programme.

In response to Cr Beale, the Chief Executive said he could confirm he was currently in discussions with a potential new sponsor for the Gore District Community Awards. The loss of the previous sponsorship had been a significant one.

Cr Beale noted the rates demand invoices had returned to the normal mailing cycle and wished to acknowledge the good work of Council staff in making that happen.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr Bolger, seconded by Cr Grant, THAT the financial report for the seven months ended 31 January 2014 be received.

The meeting concluded at 6.51pm.